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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 1 OF 3 PHNOM PENH 2522

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1. THIS IS THE EIGHTH UPDATE OF THE CAMBODIAN RESUPPLY EFFORT. LIKE REFTEL, IT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A FULL PROGRESS REPORT BUT FOCUSSES ON SPECIFIC PROBLEM AREAS, RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS. ACTIONS WE BELIEVE ARE NOW REQUIRED ARE LISTED IN EACH SECTION, AND WHEN APPROPRIATE A SUGGESTED ACTION AGENCY IS INDICATED.

PART I - AMMUNITION

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2. AS OF 17 FEBRUARY 1974, THE DEPOT STOCK AT THE KANTAU DEPOT

WAS 8,500 S/T COMPARED TO THE GOAL OF APPROXIMATELY 18,000 TONS WHICH CURRENTLY REPRESENTS A 30 DAY STOCKAGE LEVEL. THE AMMUNITION STOCKAGE POSITION IS AND WILL CONTINUE TO IMPROVE, AND THIS IMPROVEMENT IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO INCREASED AVAILABILITY OF SURFACE TRANSPORTATION ASSETS, AND THE STABILIZING OF THE CONSUMPTION RATE AT APPROXIMATELY 600 S/T PER DAY.

3. FUNDING APPROVAL HAS BEEN GRANTED FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$43 MILLION TO MEET AMMUNITION REQUIREMENTS THROUGH MARCH 74.

4. WORK AT THE DEPOT COMPLEX CONTINUES TO IMPROVE THE DURABILITY OF THE ROAD NETWORK AND STORAGE PADS. HOWEVER, PROGRESS CONTINUES TO BE RETARDED, HAMPERED BY LACK OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT WHICH HAS BEEN DIVERTED FOR PRIORITY CONSTRUCTION OF DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AROUND PHNOM PENH. PLANS ARE ALSO CURRENTLY UNDER WAY TO CONSTRUCT AN ADDITIONAL 7,500 TON FANK DEPOT NEAR PHNOM PENH. THIS ADDITIONAL STORAGE FACILITY WILL PROVIDE FANK MUCH NEEDED FLEXIBILITY.

5. PRELIMINARY ACTION HAS BEGUN TO ESTABLISH A DATA LINK BETWEEN MEDTC AND THE COMPUTER FACILITY OPERATED BY COMUSSAG/7AF, NKP, THAILAND. WHEN ESTABLISHED THIS LINK WILL PROVIDE MEDTC LONG NEEDED COMPUTER SUPPORT AND MATERIALLY ASSIST IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE ENTIRE MAP PROGRAM. IN THE INTERIM COORDINATION IS IN PROGRESS WITH USSAG NOW CHARGED BY CINCPAC WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COORDINATION OF EFFORTS OF ALL ACTIVITIES AND COMMANDS ENGAGED IN SUPPORT TO CAMBODIA FROM THAILAND IN ACCORDANCE WITH CINCPAC POLICY AND REQUIREMENTS STATED BY CHMEDTC. THIS ARRANGEMENT VUEXPECTED TO CONTINUE UNTIL THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE REMOTE DATA LINK WITH ATTENDANT PROGRAMS, WHICH WILL BE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE ALL CONCERNED, REAL TIME ACCESS TO ESSENTIAL MANAGEMENT INFORMATION.

6. CONVOY TP 70 9, 18 FEBRUARY WAS ATTACKED BY FIRE ENROUTE TO PHNOM PENH. THIS ATTACK RESULTED IN THE PROBABLE TOTAL LOSS OF 1206 S/T OF AMMO ON THE BARGE "MOUNT HOOD". THIS REPRESENTS A LOSS OF APPROXIMATELY 1.4 MILLION DOLLARS OF AMMUNITION.

7. THE FOLLOWING DATA REPRESENT AMMO DELIVERIES VIA THE MEKONG LOC FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY. ACTUAL DELIVERIES ARE AS SHOWN THROUGH TP 70 (19 FEB 74) WITH PROJECTIONS FOR THE REMAINING CONFIDENTIAL

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FEBRUARY CONVOYS.

| CONVOY # | DATE   | TONS AMMO       |
|----------|--------|-----------------|
| TP 68S   | 1 FEB  | 1174            |
| TP 69    | 4 FEB  | 4524            |
| TP 70    | 11 FEB | 1578            |
| TP 70S   | 15 FEB | 2494 TOTAL 9770 |
| TP 71    | 18 FEB | 1226            |
| TP 72    | 21 FEB | 5841            |

TP 73 28 FEB 5718

GRAND TOTAL 22,555

8. ACTIONS REQUIRED

A. REPLACE MONETARY LOSS INCURRED WHEN BARGE MT. HOOD AMMO DESTROYED. THIS SHOULD BE FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN MAP-CB FUNDS, ALREADY IN CRITICAL BALANCE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE FISCAL YEAR.

B. ASSIST IN THE APPROVAL AND EXPEDITIOUS DELIVERY OF EQUIPMENT REQUIRED TO ESTABLISH REMOTE ACCESS TO USSAG COMPUTER FACILITY.

C. CONTINUE TO AUTHORIZE SUFFICIENT AIRLIFT ASSETS TO COMPENSATE FOR ANY SHORTFALL IN SURFACE LIFT CAPABILITY.

PART II - PETROLEUM

9. MILITARY

PETROLEUM

A. DAYS OF SUPPLY OF MILITARY PRODUCT AS OF 18 FEB 74 ARE AS FOLLOWS: MOGAS - 69.9; ADO - 65.7; AV115 - 47.9; JP-4 - 57.7. IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING THE FOLLOWING ARRIVED ON 18 FEB CONVOY: MOGAS - 17.5; ADO - 32.7.

B. EXXON HAS L MXWB THAT THEY WILL BE ABLE TO SUPPLY THE ADDITIONAL AVGAS 115 NEEDED IN SUPPORT OF INCREASED AF COMBAT AIR ACTIVITIES. LATE ARRIVAL OF AVGAS 115 AT VUNG TAU HAS CAUSED A DELAY IN DELIVERY SCHEDULE TO PHNOM PENH. 1000M3 (19.2 DAYS OF SUPPLY) ARE NOW SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE ON THE 28 FEB 74 CONVOY.

C. ADDITIONAL MAP CAMBODIA POL FUNDING REQUESTS AND PROGRAM CHANGES SUBMITTED TO CINCPAC HAVE BEEN CONFIDENTIAL

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APPROVED.

D. BATTAMBANG IS CURRENTLY SUFFERING SEVERE SHORTAGES OF AVIATION FUELS, AVGAS 115 AND JP-4. RESUPPLY IS NORMALLY MADE BY LAND CONVOY FROM THAILAND. NEW THAI LAWS REQUIRE EXPORT PERMITS FOR THESE FUELS AND THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT GRANTED THE PERMITS.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 2 OF 3 PHNOM PENH 2522

AS AN ALTERNATIVE SHELL HAS ARRANGED FOR PRODUCT TO BE SHIPPED TO BANGKOK FROM SINGAPORE AND TRANSIT THAILAND INTO CAMBODIA. A GKR/RTG AGREEMENT EXISTS ALLOWING THIS ACTION. ARRANGEMENTS ARE NOW BEING MADE BUT NO DEFINITE DATE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR ACTUAL DELIVERIES TO BEGIN. THE THAI GOVERNMENT HAS NOT YET PROVIDED THE NECESSARY CERTIFICATES AUTHORIZING TRANSIT OF THIS AVGAS. GKR TO RTG APPEALS, MEDTC AND U.S. EMBASSY PHNOM PENH REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE FROM MACTHAI AND U.S. EMBASSY BANGKOK EFFORTS HAVE THUS FAR NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL. EMERGENCY AIRLIFT OF FUEL FROM PHNOM PENH IS BEING ACCOMPLISHED BY KAF AS AN INTERIM MEASURE.

E. ACTIONS REQUIRED: THIS MISSION AND AMEMBASSY BANGKOK WILL CONTINUE EFFORTS TO SECURE THE NECESSARY THAI GOVERNMENT ACTIONS TO FACILITATE DELIVERY OF AVGAS TO BATTAMBANG ASAP.

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10. CIVILIAN PETROLEUM

## A. CIVILIAN POL STATUS

THE BUILD-UP STOCK LEVELS FOR THE THE CIVILIAN SECTOR HAVE NOT YET BEEN ACHIEVED (OBJECTIVE IS 60 DAY SUPPLY OF ADO, 30 DAY SUPPLY FOR MO AND KO AND 45 DAY SUPPLY FOR OTHER CIVILIAN POL PRODUCTS). AS OF FEBRUARY 19, AND CONSIDERING ADO/DO INTER-CHANGEABILITY, ONLY THE MOGAS TARGET WAS REALIZED (CONSIDERING AV 115 SUITABILITY FOR AV 100). BASED ON A REDUCED CONSUMPTION FIGURES (I.E., UNDER CONSERVATION MEASURES), AS OF FEBRUARY 18 WE HAD THE FOLLOWING DAYS OF SUPPLIES ON HAND: MO 29, KO 1, ADO 55, IDO 39, FO 10, JP-1 45, AVGAS 15. THESE DAYS OF SUPPLY DO NOT INCLUDE THE ESTIMATED 1200-1400 M3 PER MONTH OF DO/FO FROM CALTEX WHICH WILL BE USED FOR BUNKERING OF RICE VESSELS IN NHABE FOR SHIPMENT OF RICE FROM SAIGON AND, IF REQUIRED, FROM KOMPONG SOM. THE ABOVE FIGURES INCLUDE THE STOCKS OF DO AND FOR AT THE POWER PLANTS.

## TABLE I

## PHNOM PENH-CIVILIAN SECTOR

BASED ON CURRENT RATIONED CONSUMPTION AND DELIVERIES UNTIL FEBRUARY 28. NO. OF DAYS SUPPLY INDICATED OF DESIRED PRODUCT LEVEL AND PROJECTED LEVELS.

|            | ON HAND | DELIVERIES | CONSUMPTION | ON HAND  |
|------------|---------|------------|-------------|----------|
|            | 2/18    | 2/18-2/28  | 2/18-2/28   | 3/1      |
| MO (30)    | 1580    | 1700       | 605         | 2675(49) |
| KO (30)    | 757     | 800        | 1100        | 457(5)   |
| ADO (60)   | 5799    | 495        | 1166        | 5128(48) |
| IDO (45)   | 2906    | -          | 814         | 2092(28) |
| FO (45)    | 1127    | 734        | 1221        | 640(6)   |
| JPI (45)   | 541     | -          | 132         | 409(34)  |
| AVGAS (45) | 716     | -          | 517         | 199(4)   |
|            | 13426   | 3727       | 5555        | 11600    |

NOTE: AVGASES HAVE BEEN COMBINED INTO ONE ENTRY SINCE TELAKHMER IS RECEIVING ONLY AVGAS 115 AT LEAST FOR THE PERIOD COVERED BY CURRENT CONTRACTS.

## B. AVAILABILITY OF CIVILIAN PRODUCTS FROM OIL COMPANIES.

SHELL AND CALTEX CONTINUE TO DELIVER UNDER THEIR RESPECTIVE CONTRACTS. IN FACT, CALTEX INDICATED THEY WILL TRY TO SUPPLY SOME LIMITED ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS DURING THE REST OF FEBRUARY. MOREOVER, SUMMIT MIGHT BE ABLE TO SUPPLY SOME DO AND KO TO PHNOM PENH. TELA WILL BEGIN PICKING UP THE SUMMIT PRODUCT AFTER FEBRUARY 26.

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IT IS STILL NOT CERTAIN WHETHER TELA WILL BE SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING ADDITIONAL PRODUCT IN RESPONSE TO ITS INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) ISSUED ON FEBRUARY FIRST WHICH CALLED FOR A BIDDING DEADLINE OF MARCH 4 AND DELIVERIES TO COMMENCE ON MAY FIRST. THE POTENTIAL BIDDERS COMPLAIN THAT IT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO PREPARE A RESPONSIVE BID IN THE SHORT TIME ALLOWED AND COMMENCE DELIVERIES SHORTLY THEREAFTER. THE POL

COMPANIES AND TELAKHMER HAVE REQUESTED THAT THE BID DEADLINE AND COMMENCING DELIVERY DATE BE POSTPONED ANOTHER 30 DAYS, I.E. TO APRIL 6 AND JUNE FIRST RESPECTIVELY. THE GREATEST HOPE FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPLY CONTINUES TO REST WITH THE 33,000 CUBIC METERS OF PRODUCT WHICH DAO/SAIGON IS ENDEAVORING TO ARRANGE FOR MARCH THROUGH MAY DELIVERY. RECEIPT OF THIS POL WILL ENABLE US TO ATTAIN OUR TARGETS BY THE END OF MAY 1974. THE FOLLOWING IS A RECAPT OF OUR PROJECTIONS FOR THAT DATE.

TABLE II  
BASED ON CURRENT RATIONED CONSUMPTION AND PROJECTED DELIVERIES THRU 5/31. NO. OF DAYS SUPPLY INDICATED OF DESIRED PRODUCT LEVELS AND PROJECTED LEVELS

|           | DELIVERIES CONSUMPTION ON HAND |          |       |           |
|-----------|--------------------------------|----------|-------|-----------|
|           | 3/1-5/31                       | 3/1-5/31 | 6/1   |           |
| MO (30)   | 2675                           | 5580     | 5060  | 3195(58)  |
| KO (30)   | 457                            | 12240    | 9200  | 3497(35)  |
| ADO(60)   | 5128                           | 21594    | 14720 | 12002(75) |
| IDO(45)   | 2092                           | 7305     | 6808  | 2589(35)  |
| FO(45)    | 640                            | 10200    | 8280  | 2560(28)  |
| JPI(45)   | 409                            | 1500     | 1104  | 805(67)   |
| AVGAS(45) | 199                            | 4500     | 4324  | 375(8)    |
|           | 11600                          | 62919    | 49496 | 25023     |

THE ABOVE PROJECTION IS BASED ON ANTICIPATED CONSUMPTION, GIVEN THE CURRENT LEVEL OF RATIONING, DURING THE PERIOD MARCH-MAY, ASSUMING THAT DELIVERIS WILL BE MADE PER CONTRACTS WITH SHELL AND CALTEX, PLUS STOCKS OBTAINED THROUGH DAO SAIGON. ESTIMATES OF CALTEX PRO  
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C. CIVILIAN FUNDING: PRESENT FUNDING ASSURES  
DELIVDIES THROUGH APPROXIMATELY MARCH 10AND  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE BEING REQUESTED.

D. AVAILABILITY IN  
BOTTOMS: THERE IS NO CHANGE  
IN THE SITUATION REPORTED IN THE LAST UPDATE.

E. EFFECTS OF CONSERVATION MEASURES: AS INDICATED  
LAST UPDATE, CONSERVATION MEASURES CONTINCE TO BE  
EFFECTIVE. IT IS CLEAR. HOWEVER, THAT FURTFER  
REDUCTION IN POL CONSUMPTION IS REQUIRED. WE HAVE  
NOW DEVELOPED A NEW SCHEDULE OF PRICES WHICH WHEN  
ADOPTED, SHOULD CAUSE A FURTHER DROP IN CONSUMPTION.

F. SHORTAGE OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN BATTAMBANG:  
THE BATTAMBANG PROVINCE SHORTAGE OF POL HAS BEEN  
PARTIALLY RELIEVED BY ARRIVAL OF SEVERAL OVERLAND  
CONVOYS FROM BANGKOK. THESE CONVOYS REPRESENTED  
DELIVERIES WHICH WERE APPROVED BY RTG FOR THE FIRST  
15 DAYS OF FEBRUARY. APPROVAL FOR THE SECOND 15 DAYS  
OF THAI EXPORTS FOR SHELL, CALTEX,VLIVKSHYQVPYHGTP  
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G. POL DEING ARRANGED BY DAO/SAIGON: MISSION HAS  
VANSV KTED TO DAO/SAIGSMDTHE NECESSARY INFO RE  
AMOUNTS AND MIX OF CIVILIAN POL IT DESIRES TO BE  
DELIVERED FROM DAO STOCKS AT VUNG TAU. DAO/SAIGON  
HAS INFORMED US THEY WILL BE ABLE TO SUPPLY THIS  
PRODUCT MIX INCLUDING JP-1 WHICH CAN BE SUBSTITUTED  
FOR THE UNAVAILABLE KEROSENE.

H. ACTION TO BE TAKEN: THIS MISSION WILL MONITOR  
CLOSELY SUPPLY LEVELS OF CIVILIAN POL IN BATTAMBANG.

PART III - RICE

11. RICE STOCKS IN PHNOM PENH ON FEBRUARY 15 REACHED 26,755  
M/T AND THOSE IN KOMPONG SOM 16,342 M/T FOR A TOTAL OF 43,097  
M/T. THIS REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF 5,000 M/T OVER THE JANUARY  
31 AVAILABILITIES AND, CORRESPONDS TO A 60.3 DAY IN-COUNTRY  
SUPPLY AT THE OFFICIAL RATION LEVEL OF 650 M/T PER DAY FOR  
PHNOM PENH AND 2000 M/T PER MONTH FOR KOMPONG SOM. THESE STOCKS  
ARE WELL BELOW THE CURRENT TARGET OF 90 DAYS SUPPLY. ARRIVALS  
IN PHNOM PENH BY MEKONG CONVOY FOR THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 1-15:  
FEBRUARY 4 8,742M/T

FEBRUARY 11 2,235M/T  
 FEBRUARY 15 2,822M/T  
 TOTAL 13,799M/T

12. THE NEXT CONVOY IS SCHEDULED TO DELIVER AN ADDITIONAL 2,374 M/T, AND A FINAL CONVOY OF ABOUT 10,000 TONS IS PLANNED FOR LATE FEBRUARY. THIS WILL PROVIDE BY THE END OF FEBRUARY AN IN-COUNTRY SUPPLY OF 64.2 DAYS AS OPPOSED TO THE GOAL OF 90 DAYS, AT THE OFFICIAL RATE OF 650 M/T PER DAY FOR PHNOM PENH, FANK AND THE SURROUNDING PROVINCES AND 2,000 M/T PER MONTH FOR KOMPONG SOM. AT THE AVERAGE DAILY RATE OF DISTRIBUTION FOR THE PAST 15 DAYS (436 TONS) HOWEVER, THESE STOCKS WOULD AMOUNT TO 81.6 DAYS SUPPLY. THE OUTLOOK FOR THE BALANCE OF FEBRUARY IS:

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|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| BEGINNING STOCK 2/15/74 | 26,755 M/T |
| IMPORTS                 | 12,374     |
| TOTAL AVAILABILITY      | 39,129     |

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| CONSUMPTION (650 M/T A DAY) | 8,450      |
| ENDING STOCK 2/28/74        | 30,679 M/T |

KOMPONG SOM

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| BEGINNING STOCK 2/15/74 | 16,342 M/T |
| IMPORTS                 | -          |
| TOTAL AVAILABILITY      | 16,342     |
| CONSUMPTION V           | 1,08)      |
| ENDING STOCK 2/28/74    | 15,342 M/T |

13. THREE U.S. SHIPS CARRYING A TOTAL OF 14,860 M/T OR RICE WILL NOW BE ROUTED THROUGH SAIGON. ONE ADDITIONAL SHIP CARRYING 6,010 M/T HAD EARLIER BEEN REQUESTED TO DIVERT TO SAIGON TO RELIEVE ANTICIPATED CONGESTION AT KOMPONG SOM DUE TO THE CONTINUED INTERDICTION OF ROUTE 4. TOTAL TONNAGE THUS DIVERTED: 20,870 M/T.

14. IN AN ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE INFORMATION ON SHIPPING ARRIVALS IN SAIGON, WASHINGTON HAS PROMISED TO PROVIDE A WEEKLY UPDATE ON ALL ETA'S. IN ADDITION, ALL SHIPS' MASTERS ARE TO RADIO ETA'S WHEN 96 HOURS FROM SAIGON. THIS ACTION IS INTENDED TO FACILITATE THE PLANNING OF REGULAR MEKONG CONVOYS AND POSSIBLY ELIMINATE THE PRACTICE OF SPECIAL CONVOYS WHICH TAXED THE RESOURCES OF ALL PARTIES CONCERNED.

15. ARRANGEMENTS ARE NOW UNDER WAY TO SHIP APPROXIMATELY 1,000 M/T OF BATTAMBANG RICE BY TRUCK CONVOY DOWN ROUTE 5 TO KOMPONG CHHNANG WHERE IT WILL BE LOADED ON BARGES FOR RIVER CONVOY DOWN THE TONLE SAP TO PHNOM PENH. THIS WILL BE THE FIRST MAJOR AMOUNT OF RICE BROUGHT TO PHNOM PENH FROM BATTAMBANG THIS YEAR. IF THE FIRST CONVOY IS SUCCESSFUL WE ANTICIPATE THAT A REGULAR SCHEDULE OF CONVOYS WILL BE ESTABLISHED. IN THE EVENT THAT THIS ROUTE IS INTERDICTED OR THE VOLUME TRANSPORTED OVER IT PROVES IN-



ADEQUATE, THERE IS THE OPTION OF BRINGING BATTAMBANG RICE TO KOM-PONG SOM AND PHNOM PENH THROUGH THAILAND. THE GKR HAS INSTRUCTED ITS EMBASSY IN BANGKOK TO MAKE A FORMAL APPROACH TO THE RTG REQUESTING APPROVAL AND TAX EXEMPTION FOR ANY SURCH RICE SHIPMENTS TO TRANSIT THAILAND.

73/ MARCH ARRIVALS IN SAIGON ARE SCHEDULED TO BRING IN 41,759 M/T OR THE EQUIVALENT OF AN ADDITIONAL 64.2 DAYS SUPPLY FOR PHNOM PENH. WITH ONE MEKONG CONVOY TO BE SCHEDULED EVERY EIGHT DAYS  
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